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Pokémon fans pose for a photo at the Vancouver Convention Centre on Sunday at the 10th annual Pokémon World Championships. CARA MCKENNA/FOR METRO

Pokémaniacs chase glory — and their very own Pikachu

Gaming. Fans take over Vancouver Convention Centre for Pokémon World Championships

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Apparently the 2010 Olympics were just a warmup for the planet's true ultimate sporting event: The Pokémon World Championships.

Thousands of Pokémon fans from more than 25 countries swarmed the Vancouver Convention Centre over the weekend, where over 500 competitors aged five to 50 went Pokéballs to the wall in an attempt to win a coveted gold Pikachu trophy.

It was the 10th anniversary of the championships — which consist of both trading-card and video-game competitions — and the first time the event was held in Canada.

Rob Novickas of Pokémon Company Intl. says Vancouver was chosen because it is an "international city."

"Vancouver is a great host for an event like this," said Novickas.

"We know you guys did a good job for the winter Olympics in 2010, so we figured that you guys could support the Pokémon World Championships."

Getting an invite to compete in the world championships is no small feat, according to Novickas, who says competitors spend up to a year battling in events across the world before the big event.

"They're representing their nation, their family and their friends back home," he said.

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Arrest made

Marine flare at Whitecaps game attracts police attention

One wannabe soccer hooligan succeeded at drawing the wrong kind of attention by recklessly setting off a marine flare during Saturday's Vancouver Whitecaps game at BC Place.

It was allegedly a 43-year-old Vancouver man who set off the flare and put it under an unoccupied seat.

Police say a number of fans in the section had trouble breathing from the intense smoke, and one woman was even taken to hospital for further treatment.

She was later released from hospital.

Ruining the game-day experience for fellow fans landed the man in hot water with authorities.

Stadium security identified the man at his seat, and police arrested him without further incident.

He was taken into custody and is now facing several criminal charges, including mischief, criminal negligence and common nuisance.

The incident occurred in section 248 of the stadium, close to where the boisterous Southsiders supporters group calls home.

The flare incident was being widely frowned upon by users of the group's online forums on Sunday.

"I hope BC Place bans that idiot for life," one Whitecaps supporter wrote, echoing the sentiment of many posters.

The incident was a black mark on an otherwise great day for Whitecaps fans.

The home team beat the San Jose Earthquakes 2-0 and jumped up to second place in Major League Soccer's Western Conference.

MATT KIELTYKA/METRO

Two women enjoy the trails on Mount Seymour on Thursday. A veteran search-and-rescue (SAR) team leader says the system in B.C. is neither effective nor sustainable. JENNIFER GAUTHIER/METRO

Search-and-rescue flawed, official says

'Vision for change.'
Thirty-year veteran pitches standby pay, dedicated helicopters and a provincial communication system in his public letter

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A veteran search-and-rescue (SAR) team leader says the system in B.C. is neither effective nor sustainable.

His warning comes days after Squamish SAR announced rescuers were overwhelmed and experiencing what could be their busiest year ever. Chilliwack SAR also announced their busiest day in team history earlier this month.

Tim Jones, who had been with North Shore Rescue for three decades, said he created a "triad" system based on concerns from fellow veteran search-and-rescue workers.

Jones said volunteers such as the ones in Squamish are experiencing stress but he has a "vision for change."

He wants to see standby pay for high-volume rescue crews so they can be available for critical rescues 24/7, and dedicated SAR helicopters instead of relying on standbys.

"The helicopter and skilled pilots are the vital link in Mountain SAR," Jones wrote in a public letter outlining his suggestions.

"Asking private operators to have machines sitting unpaid waiting for a SAR call will bankrupt them."

The third part of his vision is a provincial communications system to replace the current patchwork.

Ian Cunnings, an SAR specialist with Emergency Management B.C., said the province works closely with the B.C. Search and Rescue Association to identify challenges and successes encountered by rescue teams.

"If individual SAR members or teams have ideas on how we can help make the system more effective within the current funding structure, government and the B.C. Search and Rescue Association would certainly be open to having a discussion about it."

In numbers

- **2,500:** Active search-and-rescue members in B.C.
- **1,200:** Number of calls that teams respond to each year.
- **$7M:** The amount of funding B.C. spends to support SAR groups.
- **80:** The number of ground search-and-rescue teams in the province.

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No hippies allowed? Province closes park over 'rainbow gathering'

Hundreds of campers who had planned to live off the land for a month in a northern Vancouver Island provincial park are being forced to go elsewhere.

The B.C. government shut down Raft Cove Provincial Park, about 130 kilometres west of Port McNeill.

The closure on Saturday came after locals raised concerns that a mass gathering of participants of the so-called World Rainbow Gathering of Tribes would wreak havoc.

"The closure was prompted over specific concerns that an increase in the number of visitors unprepared for such a remote and rugged location would significantly increase the risk to public health and safety, the protection of the natural environment and the preservation of park values," BC Parks said in a written statement.

The World Rainbow Gathering of Tribes was founded in 1970, and is a group that hopes to create a "healthy and harmonious world" through the "protection, preservation and restoration of natural habitats and fostering World Peace," according to the group's Facebook page. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Tight quarters

"This is a place where, when there are 30 people there on a weekend, it feels crowded."

Terry Ruth Eissfeldt, who created a Facebook page last week to oppose the gathering and said nearly two thousand people were expected for the "rainbow gathering."

Burns Lake area. Missing man feared drowned

RCMP fear a missing 36-year-old Prince George man may be dead after a lengthy search near Burns Lake.

Brett Smith was reported missing Aug. 8 after his family had not heard from him two days prior, when he set out boating from Takysie Lake Resort.

Resort staff found Smith's boat, and his belongings, but there was no sign of the man.

Once notified, RCMP launched its own four-day search using sonar units, a helicopter, search-and-rescue crews and police dogs to no avail.

"Search efforts will continue in order to locate Brett Smith, who was last heard from on Tuesday and is now sadly presumed drowned," said Const. Lesley Smith, spokesperson for North District RCMP, in a statement Sunday. "RCMP victim services from Prince George and Burns Lake are assisting the family during this tragic time."

Smith was staying at the resort while in the area for work. MATT KIELTYKA/METRO

SkyTrain incident

Mom of alleged sexual-assault victim sought

Transit police are asking a mother who reported that her daughter had been sexually assaulted on the SkyTrain system two weeks ago to come forward.

A news release says on July 27, transit police were called to a report of a man in his underwear threatening people at a downtown SkyTrain station. Police learned that, earlier, a woman at a previous station had told transit staff a man on the train had touched her daughter inappropriately, but declined to provide her name. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Passenger injured

Independent probe called after police car hits ATV

The agency that investigates police in B.C. has been called in after an RCMP cruiser hit an all-terrain vehicle in Prince George, leaving a passenger in the ATV with serious injuries.

A news release from the RCMP says the collision happened early Sunday morning, when the RCMP car hit a type of all-terrain vehicle known as a "side by side."

The province's Independent Investigations Office will be investigating the police officer involved. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Like the ceiling can't hold 'im

American rapper Macklemore performs Friday night at the Squamish Valley Music Festival. The two-day music festival played host to 17,000 music lovers and featured headliners Vampire Weekend and Queens of the Stone Age. Visit metronews.ca for more.

JENNIFER GAUTHIER/FOR METRO

Remembering the 'war in the woods'

Clayoquot Sound. Civil disobedience act in 1993 impacts resource industries today, including current conflicts over pipelines

It is the quiet amid the chaos just as the logging trucks and police rolled in that Tzeporah Berman remembers acutely about the "war in the woods," the fight by environmentalists 20 years ago over Clayoquot Sound that the now-seasoned campaigner says set the stage for today's battles over pipelines and other resource-development issues.

"All of the laughing and the talking and the drumming and whatever was happening would just end," said Berman.

"There'd be complete silence as all of these people of different ages and different backgrounds stood in front of those trucks, and one by one were taken away."

Every day for almost three months during the summer of 1993, Berman and hundreds of other protesters stared down the logging trucks destined for some of Canada's most pristine old-growth forests on Vancouver Island.

She and Valerie Langer helped organize one of the largest acts of civil disobedience in Canadian history in the almost 350,000-hectare wilderness area.

Despite more than 800 arrests, including the iconic mass arrests of more than 300 people on Aug. 9, 1993, the protesters prevented the rainforest from being clear-cut and sparked a new kind of environmental campaigning.

"For the first time in 20 years, I see the kind of energy that I felt back then," said Langer. "I think it's really time for provincial and federal governments to wake up and see that that kind of tension within the population is rising again."

Environmentalists celebrated the anniversary this weekend, but the mayor of one of the communities hardest hit by the eventual decision to reverse clearcut logging in the sound and preserve it as a UNESCO biosphere says his community has little to cheer.

"It had several layers of impact, bearing in mind there's been forestry companies in Ucluelet since the turn of the century," said Ucluelet Mayor Bill Irving.

"Those folks were sort of lifetime residents and employees in the forest industry and they did it because they enjoyed it."

He said the events of the so-called "war in the woods" were "quite a significant rebuff to them both as individuals and as members of the economy." THE CANADIAN PRESS

Wildfire prompts evacuation alert near Lillooet

Several residents in a rural area north of Vancouver were placed under an evacuation alert Sunday, with a wildfire burning nearby and high winds in the forecast.

The alert, which warned residents to be ready to leave at a moment's notice, affected about five to 10 people southwest of the community of Seton Portage, located more than 200 kilometres northeast of Vancouver near Lillooet.

The evacuation alert covered an area with a radius of between 19 and 21 kilometres.

The province's wildfire-management branch said the fire was one hectare in size as of Sunday morning, though officials were concerned high winds in the forecast could cause the fire to quickly spread.

"With the anticipated winds forecasted, fire activity could pick up," said Melissa Welsh, an information officer with the wildfire branch.

The province had nine firefighters, two helicopters and two air tankers fighting the fire on Sunday.

Meanwhile, fire officials declared a blaze near Vinsulla, north of Kamloops, fully contained. The fire had grown to 15 hectares but didn't threaten any buildings.

Statistics posted to the wildfire-management branch's website indicated there were 24 fires larger than 10 hectares in size burning throughout the province.

Since April, more than 1,100 wildfires have burned 8,600 hectares of land across B.C. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Wartime sex slaves cry out for recognition

Second World War. Japan has retracted past apologies, says there's no proof girls abducted

Philippine former slave Estelita Dy speaks alongside supporters in Tokyo. SHIZUO KAMBAYASHI/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

A tearful Philippine woman recounted Sunday how she was kidnapped by Japanese troops during the Second World War and forced into sex slavery, as she and her supporters gathered to demand Japan do more to bring justice to former "comfort women."

Estelita Dy, 83, and her supporters met in Tokyo as part of events to commemorate the day the first victim of Japanese sex slavery came forward on Aug. 14, 1991.

Rights groups are trying to gain support to have Aug. 14 become a UN-recognized memorial day as a way to pressure Japan to take responsibility.

Prime Minister Shinzo Abe has backpedalled from Tokyo's past apologies, saying there's no proof Japan's wartime government forced women into prostitution.

At Sunday's meeting, Dy's supporters criticized Abe's government for rejecting a UN panel's recommendations earlier this year that urged Japan to better educate the public and take steps to bring justice for the victims. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Two young boys laid to rest after being slain by python

Mandy Trecartin, back left, and Andrew Barthe follow the casket at the funeral for their sons Noah and Connor Barthe at St. Thomas Aquinas Roman Catholic Church in Campbellton, N.B., on Saturday. The two young boys were killed by a python while they slept in an apartment above an exotic pet store earlier in the week. ANDREW VAUGHAN/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Outcry on both sides

Israel, Palestinians apparently trade homes, prisoners

Israel approved building nearly 1,200 more settlement homes Sunday and agreed to release 26 long-held Palestinian security prisoners — highlighting an apparent trade-off that got both sides back to peace talks after a five-year freeze.

Yet voices on both sides were outraged, saying the price is too steep. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

NSA scandal

Father set to visit Snowden in exile

The father of National Security Agency leaker Edward Snowden has secured documents to visit his son in Russia and plans to discuss how he could fight espionage charges, Lon Snowden said Sunday.

The elder Snowden isn't convinced his son would get a fair hearing in court, given the "absolutely irresponsible" descriptions of his son's actions from top lawmakers. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Suspect shot dead. Teen and abductor stood out in wild: Horseback riders

The four horseback riders who encountered a California teen and her abductor said Sunday that they decided to contact police because the pair seemed out of place and ill-equipped for the Idaho wilderness.

Mark John said the man, whom he later identified as the wanted James Lee DiMaggio, 40, wasn't friendly and carried only a light pack. The girl, 16-year-old Hannah Anderson, was wearing pyjamas.

DiMaggio was killed by authorities Saturday.

FBI agents are processing evidence at the campsite in central Idaho's Frank Church River of No Return Wilderness.

The mountainous area is extremely steep, and the closest point where the helicopters could drop the FBI Hostage Rescue Team was more than a two-hour hike away. The agents crept close to the camp, waited until DiMaggio and Hannah separated, and then moved in.

The case began when the charred bodies of Hannah's mother, Christina Anderson, 44, and the teen's eight-year-old brother, Ethan Anderson, were found on Aug. 4 in DiMaggio's burning house outside San Diego. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

James Lee DiMaggio, 40, left, was suspected of abducting family friend Hannah Anderson, 16. SAN DIEGO SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE

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Toronto's mayor. 'I had a couple beers,' video blown out of proportion: Ford

Toronto Mayor Rob Ford said he had a couple of beers at a street festival on Friday night but contended videos that have sparked a torrent of criticism are being blown out of proportion.

"I drove myself down there, I was not drinking. I went out, had a few beers and I did not drive home. My people met me after that," Ford told his weekly radio show on NewsTalk 1010.

Three videos posted online Friday show the mayor apparently enjoying a night on the town and bantering with residents.

Many people took to Twitter in response to the video posting to criticize and ridicule the mayor, accusing him of being drunk and scolding his behaviour.

"Yet another public shame from our mayor," one person posted on Twitter.

But Ford says he doesn't think he did anything that would offend anyone.

"Did I have a couple beers? Absolutely I had a couple beers," Ford said.

"I had a good time, I let my hair down."

His brother, Coun. Doug Ford, suggested on the same radio show that his brother did not have too much to drink.

"You seemed all right," Doug Ford said.

Mayor Ford's behaviour has attracted international attention since news reports surfaced this year of an alleged video that appeared to show him smoking crack cocaine.

Reporters for two media outlets say they were shown the video, but it has never surfaced publicly. Ford has denied he uses cocaine and has said he can't comment on a video that does not exist. There have been media reports in the past of Ford appearing intoxicated in public. In May, Torstar News Service reported allegations that Ford showed up drunk at an official function. At the time Ford dismissed the report as nothing but "lies" and his brother added he's never seen the mayor drink at any event. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Rob Ford poses with Jaime Castillo on Friday at Taste of the Danforth. Videos and photos online are raising questions about Ford's behaviour. COURTESY JAIME CASTILLO

Hannah Gastonguay, holding her baby Rahab, is followed by her husband Sean and the couple's three-year-old daughter Ardith, as they disembark in the port city of San Antonio, Chile, on Friday. The northern Arizona family was lost at sea for weeks in an ill-fated attempt to leave the U.S. over what they consider government interference in religion. LAS ULTIMAS NOTICIAS/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Family quits U.S., gets lost at sea

Rescued after adrift for weeks. Arizona clan says it tried to abandon the States over government interference in religion

A northern Arizona family has survived being lost at sea for weeks after an ill-fated attempt to leave the U.S. over what they consider government interference in religion.

Hannah Gastonguay and her family will fly back home Sunday after taking their two small children and her father-in-law and setting sail from San Diego for the tiny Pacific island nation of Kiribati in May.

Weeks into their journey, the Gastonguays hit a series of storms that damaged their small boat, leaving them adrift for weeks, unable to make progress. They were eventually picked up by a Venezuelan fishing vessel, transferred to a Japanese cargo ship and taken to Chile.

Their flights home were arranged by U.S. Embassy officials, Gastonguay said. The U.S. State Department declined to comment on Sunday.

The months-long journey has been "pretty exciting" and a "little scary at certain points," Gastonguay told The Associated Press by telephone.

The 26-year-old mother said they wanted to go to Kiribati because "we didn't want to go anywhere big." She said they understood the island to be "one of the least developed countries in the world."

Kiribati is a group of islands just off the equator and the international date line about halfway between Hawaii and Australia. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Lacked the skills to pull off plan

"They were looking for a kind of adventure. They wanted to live on a Polynesian island but they didn't have sufficient expertise to navigate adequately."

Police prefect Jose Luis Lopez, who took the family's statement in San Antonio, told the Chilean newspaper Las Ultimas Noticias.

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Pilot dies in hot air balloon accident

An international hot air balloon festival took a tragic turn on Sunday when a 26-year-old pilot died southeast of Montreal.

Maxime Trepanier had been taking part in the festivities at the 30th edition of a popular festival in St-Jean-sur-Richelieu.

Marie-Claude Beauvais, a festival spokeswoman, said the accident happened in nearby Mont-Saint-Grégoire, perhaps while the hot air balloon was landing.

Beauvais said Trepanier was an experienced pilot and had been involved with the festival since he was a boy.

"He was very close to the festival family," said Beauvais, visibly shaken as she addressed reporters on Sunday.

Trepanier's father was also a festival pilot.

Investigators were on the scene trying to determine what caused the accident, which happened at 7:30 in the morning, said Quebec provincial police Sgt. Audrey-Anne Bilodeau.

The festival began on Saturday and runs until Aug. 18.

Beauvais said events would continue through the week but hot air balloons would remain grounded on Sunday night in tribute to Trepanier.

According to its website, the International Balloon Festival of Saint-Jean-sur-Richelieu is "the biggest gathering of balloons in Canada," drawing 450,000 visitors a year.

The Transportation Safety says it's sending investigators to look into the accident. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Real estate. New data muddies predictions for housing market

Canada's much-watched housing market is sending out mixed signals these days — even for analysts.

A spate of fresh data and yet one more market-cooling tweak from Ottawa last week has put one of the most important sectors in the Canadian economy, and the most important asset-source for most Canadians, on a kind of death watch.

That's because while some of the data, such as home prices and starts, are pointing to the soothing "soft landing" that homeowners, economists, banks and politicians are fingers-crossed hoping for, others, like land purchases and building permits, suggest the real message is: The crash is coming.

Last week, Statistics Canada reported that building permits in the residential sector fell 12.9 per cent in June, and permits for multi-unit dwellings sank even further by 18.8 per cent. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Is the Canadian housing market in for a hard or soft landing? Confusingly, new figures point to both possibilities. THE CANADIAN PRESS FILE

Privacy. Retailers creating 'return profiles' on buyers

It's not just the U.S. government that might be keeping tabs on you. Many retailers are tracking people, too — or at least their merchandise returns.

The companies say it's all in the name of security and fighting fraud. They want to be able to identify chronic returners or thieves trying to make off with high-end products that are returned later for store credit.

Consumer advocates are raising transparency issues about the practice of having companies collect information on consumers and create "return profiles" of customers at big-name stores such as Best Buy, J.C. Penney, Victoria's Secret, Home Depot and Nike.

The practice led to a privacy lawsuit against Best Buy that eventually was tossed out.

Each year, consumers return about $264 billion US worth of merchandise, or almost nine per cent of total sales, according to industry estimates.

Many buyers aren't aware that some returns, with and without receipts, are being monitored at stores that outsource that information to a third-party company, which creates a "return profile" that catalogues and analyzes the customer's returns at the store. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Surprise!

"I had absolutely no idea they were doing that. I honestly think it's an invasion of privacy."

Mari Torres, a shopper at the Pentagon City Mall in Arlington, Va.

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KATHRYN GILBERT
Metro World News

After five-and-a-half years working in electronics for the U.S. navy, Nick Kneuper went to a music festival and saw a piece of technology that caught his eye. And lo and behold, Electric Styles was born: An apparel brand that brightens your wares with electroluminescent wiring.

The two-year-old Californian company lights up a variety of clothes, from bras to hoodies. Metro chatted to the ex-military man about his LED push-up bra, a $60-to-$70 US number powered by two AA batteries.

Why light up a bra?
Well, my girlfriend wore one to a club and the girls there went crazy over it.

Do you have any celebrity fans?
One of the top-20 most recognizable actresses in America is going to wear one of our bras in a 2014 feature film. But our clothes have been everywhere — (Brazilian actor) Rodrigo Santoro was wearing a light-up hoodie on MTV.

A model flaunts an LED light-up bra made by California company Electric Styles. ELECTRICSTYLES.COM

Which celebrity would you love to wear your bras?
All of them! But especially Megan Fox — I think she would love them.

Do you think one day people will wear light-up bras to the shops?
I think so. Culture is moving in the direction where light-up clothing is going to be every day. Also you can wear them under T-shirts so they shine through. Anyway, in a couple of years light-up clothing will be the norm.

Would you make matching underwear?
Every girl asks for that. It's difficult though because it's too flimsy — there's nowhere to put the battery pack.

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A CLASSIC TALE OF LOVE AND POSSIBILITY

URBAN COMPASS
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You might think this is a slight story. A bit of a thing.

Boy meets girl "cute," as the Hollywood scriptwriters say, on the No. 3 bus.

Three stops later, it's his turn to get off, there's no time to exchange numbers, and as he gets up to go, he tells her to look him up at the hairdresser shop where he works.

Believe it or not, she does. Then they go bowling … and then they get married:

On the same No. 3 bus where they met.

A sweet little story, sure, but enough to sweep the entire city off its feet, and give Translink the PR equivalent of a grand slam on I Love Transit Week? Especially considering the kind of publicity Translink usually gets?

There's something about the true-love story of Jarred Greff and Nina Schmidt that punches above its narrative weight and I think I know what it is.

It's not just because either one of them could have missed the bus that April day last year: Nina had to be chased out the door by her roommate, and Jarred just boarded the bus at the last minute because he didn't want to be late for work.

It's not just because Nina, a German immigrant, had just about given up on Vancouver men as cold and uncommunicative when this one, obviously moonstruck, dared to sit down beside her.

Nor is it because something possessed Jarred to do something uncharacteristic and brave and sit next to a perfect stranger and start talking to her.

It's not really the first date when they went bowling; he tried to impress her and somehow ended up in the gutter with his pants down, the ball dribbling down the wrong lane. And she still liked him.

It's not even the kicker: 30 friends and family members turn up at a surprise location for the wedding and it turns out to be the bus where the couple met.

It's none of those things. It's this: somewhere in our hearts, the dream lives.

It's different for everyone, but this part is universal: something — or someone — will happen to us when we least expect it, when we're mired deep in the routine of our lives. Standing in line at the checkout stand, waiting to cross the street, taking the bus to work on an early spring day.

Love potion #3

It's different for everyone, but this part is universal: something — or someone — will happen to us when we least expect it, when we're mired in the routine of our lives.

It's the promise that something extraordinary and wonderful will happen on this ordinary day, even though it's completely unlikely, impractical, foolish, etc.

But it happens. Just ask Jarred and Nina. They just got married on a bus. Nothing small about that, is there?

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A great loss for our Metro family

Ajoy Pinto was a beloved member of the Metro family for seven years.

Thousands of readers met him through his work in the marketing and promotions department. Ajoy personally contacted Club Metro contest winners from coast-to-coast and regularly attended Metro events.

We're grateful to have known such a passionate, gentle, funny and talented man.

His sense of humour and kindness will always be remembered.

Ajoy Leon Pinto
Born: April 22, 1977
Passed away: Aug. 9, 2013
Beloved son of Tony and Alphonsa.
Brother of Arjun and Lisa.
Marketing dude. Visual artist. Photog. Sports junkie. Early adopter. Foodie. Movie buff. Baseball fan.
In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Gerry & Nancy Pencer Brain Trust.
Visitation and funeral will be at a Toronto location this week.
"If the World were perfect, it wouldn't be."
– Yogi Berra

ZOOM

How do you pick where to picnic?

PETER KLAUNZER/KEYSTONE/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

This piece is a little bit patchy

People picnic on a huge picnic blanket Sunday on the Ruggisberg near Roggwil, Switzerland. The picnic blanket is an art installation called Bignick by the artistic twin brothers Frank and Patrik Riklin.
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Embedded in society

"It should be placed in the middle of society, not in the museum! The best pieces of art are not recognized as such."

Frank Riklin said on his website.
The duo began creating interventions in public spaces 10 years ago while they were both studying at art schools separately in Zurich and Berlin.

Playing jokes like when they were kids

Their projects often engage with people who become actors in a performance. Sometimes their works have social implications that are partly a gag, and part philanthropy.

One project is a shabby phone that the twins installed on the side of the town hall building in Chur, Switzerland, that functions to raise money for deaf people. The potential donor calls a number and establishes how much they would like to donate to the project. At that point the telephone set up in Chur rings, and any passerby who answers the call saves the donation from dropping. METRO

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Find out why Robin Thicke and Icona Pop think their multiplatinum hits should be named "song of the summer." And for Miley Cyrus, Daft Punk and Bruno Mars, who weren't available to chat, here are some lyrics from their anthems to defend their honour.

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5 song of summer contenders

You know you want it

Blurred Lines: Robin Thicke, featuring T.I. and Pharrell
"It has a (nice) tempo, it has a sense of humour and it feels like live music instead of that synth and digital sound, which Daft Punk has (with Get Lucky) and (Bruno Mars') Treasure has," Thicke said of his infectious, naughty jam, the longest-running song on the Billboard Hot 100 chart this year at eight weeks (and counting).

Call it luck

Get Lucky: Daft Punk, featuring Pharrell
"We've come too far to give up who we are, so let's raise the bar and our cups to the stars," Pharrell sings on a disco-flavoured beat that heals the soul. "The present has no ribbon, your gift keeps on giving, what is this I'm feeling, if you wanna leave I'm with it."
Sounds like a plan!

A 2012 song dominates in 2013

I Love It: Icona Pop, featuring Charli XCX
"People get wild when they hear it and it's like liberating and everybody can sing along to it. It's a party song or it's at least a song you can party to even though the message is coming out from a really hard heartbreak," said Caroline Hjelt of the Swedish duo. "If you're in the car on your way to something or festivals or pre-parties or out at the club, it works in so many ways."

Can't stop, won't stop

We Can't Stop: Miley Cyrus
"It's our party we can do what we want to, it's our house we can love who we want to, it's our song we can sing if we want to, it's my mouth I can say what I want to," Cyrus sings on her musical coming-out anthem that was originally meant for Rihanna. She's ready for the spotlight.

Golden hit from pop's golden boy

Treasure: Bruno Mars
"Pretty girl, pretty girl, pretty girl, you should be smiling; a girl like you should never look so blue," Mars sings in a matter-of-fact manner over a welcoming beat on his 11th top 10 hit. "You're everything I see in my dreams, I wouldn't say that to you if it wasn't true."
How sweet.

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Angelina Jolie ALL IMAGES GETTY

Bubble bubble toil and trouble: Jolie's such a witch

Angelina Jolie admits that on the set of Maleficent, she had the tendency to terrify children while in costume as the Sleeping Beauty baddie. "These little kids would visit the set and I would think, 'Oh, I am a Disney character,' so I would go over to them and say, 'Hi there!' They would just scream," she said while introducing footage from the film at Disney's D23 Expo over the weekend. "One little kid even said, 'Mommy, please make the mean witch stop talking to me.'" There was one little kid who wasn't fazed by Jolie's appearance: her daughter, who also has a part in the film. "Vivienne was the only four-year-old who didn't scream when she saw me," Jolie said.

The Word

Oh baby, it's been quite a week with the Kardashians

Just in case you needed to know what is up with America's favourite Armenian family, it looks like Kourtney Kardashian has some explaining to do. On Thursday, Michael Girgenti, a professional model, filed a paternity suit in Los Angeles County Superior Court, saying that he had a one-night stand with Kardashian. Which wouldn't be all that noteworthy, except he is saying her son Mason is actually his and not Scott Disick's. The model is now seeking joint custody of Mason. Kardashian's lawyer, Shawn Holley, said in a statement that Girgenti's accusations are "false and defamatory."

Meanwhile, sis Kim Kardashian is still refusing to sell pictures of baby North West. TMZ is reporting that she and baby daddy Kanye West have been offered upwards of $3 million for pictures of the tot, but they have declined all offers. Per the website, Kim and Kanye are either going to release them to an upscale publication (Vanity Fair is reportedly being thrown around) or they are going to put them up on social media, a la Blue Ivy.

Oprah Winfrey

Admirable Oprah stays classy in the face of blatant discrimination in Zurich

Even Oprah Winfrey isn't safe from discrimination, as she learned while shopping for a handbag in Zurich recently. Winfrey tells Entertainment Tonight that when she asked a clerk at the chic Trois Pommes boutique to see a $35,000 Tom Ford bag, the clerk refused. "She says to me, 'No. It's too expensive,'" Winfrey remembers. "'That one will cost too much and you will not be able to afford that.'" Winfrey, who earned an estimated $77 million in the last year, decided not to make a scene. "I could have had the big blowup thing and thrown down the (American Express) black card and all that stuff, but why do that?" she says. A spokeswoman for the boutique calls the episode "an absolute misunderstanding," saying the problem was the clerk did not recognize Winfrey.

Fun chores

Matching up missing socks

Our clothes dryer seems to be a Bermuda Triangle for socks and I'm sure yours is the same. They go in as a pair, but come out individually on different occasions.

When a sock comes out on its own, I throw it into a container.

Each time I do laundry and a new batch of one-sided socks come out, I make it into a fun matching game for the kids.

I have them go through all the new socks and the socks in the container to see if there are any matches. The kids have fun searching for matches and it always results in a few happy sock reunions!

GWEN LERON/YUMMYMUMMYCLUB.CA

Safety tips

Taking your children into crowds

If you are going into a crowded venue with young children, here are three easy safety steps you can always employ to ensure their safety — and your sanity.

1. Put your business card in the child's pocket.

2. With a marker, write your cellphone number on the back of the child's hand.

3. Take a photo of each child with your phone. Should you become separated from a child, it will be easier for you to be reconnected.

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Life according to kids

Lessons. We could learn a lot from our children — like friendliness, curiosity and simply saying hello

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Adults, take notes from kids and smile at people you pass by instead of avoiding eye contact at all costs. ISTOCK

With a baby comes the old neighbourhood lady in the faded floral frock.

Sitting on our front porch bench is the only cue this woman needs to climb our stoop and, using a squeaky, high-pitched voice, repeatedly tell our child she loves him.

She also calls out an onslaught of orders (she wants him to shake her hand, wave, smile and clap). That he's not a circus monkey willing to perform tricks on demand only makes her press harder. "Shake my hand! Here! Here! Shake my hand!" she says over and over.

We don't know this woman. In fact, she barely acknowledges us, which makes this all more than just a little strange.

We suspect she's lonely, that this small interaction makes her day, so we're patient.

Of course this overzealous, baby-induced behaviour is not exclusive to her. Nothing turns presumably sane folks into big piles of goo-goo-ga-ga mush quite like fresh-faced, apple-cheeked babies.

Indeed they can inspire even the grouchiest of adults to start babbling nonsensically like oversized infants.

It's understandable — getting treated to a little squish's gummy grin is like being hugged inside and out.

It is somewhat addictive, really. We find them irresistible because they are refreshingly open to the world and fascinated by the people in it.

For instance, our son doesn't turn steely-faced when someone looks his direction. He doesn't try to avoid eye contact by sticking his nose in a giant picture book.

Like his very huggable peers, he's not cynical or greedy and he doesn't know how to lie. He is naturally warm and kind, and has boundless amounts of unbridled curiosity.

Parents, don't you just wish you could bottle this innocence, wonderment and untarnished state of being and hold onto it forever?

If only we could keep just some of that spirit alive.

The number of passersby willing to wave, giggle, coo and play peek-a-boo with unfamiliar children is astonishing, but the rate at which they close down the instant they see another grownup is depressing.

For a moment, like the creaky lady who lives up the street, they've made a connection. Then, just as quickly, they've hardened up, put on a coating of thick, impermeable skin, and set off again.

Certainly I am not suggesting we go around greeting everyone like overexcited puppies, but basic civility wouldn't be too much to ask for, would it?

We could simply acknowledge one another. Smile. Say hello.

We could learn a lot from these tiny, happy creatures that so easily draw us out of our protective shells.

After all, we were once just like them, smiling, laughing and loving fully. Living vivaciously and unselfconsciously and inquisitively.

And, finally, we were appreciative of the simple things in life, and that truly is no small thing.

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He's got those home from camp blues

How can parents help transition kids from exciting camp life back to the reality of home?

A welcome home party

When my son went to camp for the first time, he was greeted with "Welcome Home" signs, giddy siblings, neighbours, cousins and friends. We had his favourite meal ready for him and the kids had an evening in the pool. Coming home felt pretty darn good.

Plan activities

Don't let them come home and wallow in boredom. Remind them that being home is fun too and plan some fun family outings.

Support new interests

Maybe they learned a bit of guitar, enjoyed being in the camp play or discovered they had a flare for arts and crafts. Joc Palm, Director of Glen Bernard Camp suggests encouraging them to continue with these interests with local classes. Supporting their new camp interest at home is a positive step in helping with the transition home. Palm also suggests that campers contribute to a school or community project that embodies their camp's values. Camp has fostered an incredible appreciation of nature for my girls. As a result, they have been involved in projects and protests that make both them and their camp proud.

Pen pals

When my son comes home from Camp Ponacka, he is holding on tight to his "Rag Bag" — a journal given to all of the boys including email and snail mail addresses. Camp Director Anne Morawetz says encouraging the boys to keep in touch makes being away from their summer buddies a little less painful.

Social media

If your kids are on social media, they can stay connected with camp through Facebook and other channels. It is a great way for a child to keep that connected feeling to camp.

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What's black and white and yummy all over? This dish

This Soy Maple Sesame Crusted Chicken dish serves four. COURTESY ROSE REISMAN

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This is a simple and delicious trendy Asian chicken dish that goes well over soba noodles.

The sesame seed coating gives a crunchy texture to this meal. If you can find the black and white mixed sesame seeds, the appearance is enhanced.

1. Preheat the oven to 375 F (190 C). Line a baking sheet with foil sprayed with vegetable spray.

2. Combine egg and milk, dip chicken breast in wash, then in sesame seeds, and salt and pepper. Place on baking sheet and bake 15 minutes or until the temperature reaches 160 F (71 C). Let cool for 5 minutes.

3. Boil soba noodles until just tender (about 5 minutes). Drain and place on serving dish. Place chicken overtop.

Ingredients

- 1 egg
- 2 tbsp 2% milk
- 1 lb (500 g) boneless chicken breast
- 1/2 cup (125 ml) toasted sesame seeds
- pinch of salt and pepper

Soy maple glaze

- 1/4 cup (60 ml) soy sauce
- 1/4 cup (60 ml) maple syrup
- 2 tsp (10 ml) cornstarch

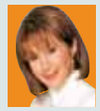
- 4 oz (125 g) soba noodles
- 2 tbsp (30 ml) chopped cilantro for garnish

4. To make the soy maple glaze: Place soy sauce, maple syrup and cornstarch in a small saucepan and whisk until the cornstarch is dissolved. Bring to a boil and simmer for 2 minutes just until slightly thickened.

5. Drizzle glaze over chicken and garnish with cilantro.

Healthy eating

Choose it and lose it



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Brunch is the quintessential weekend meal, but some staples are loaded with calories, fat and sodium.

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Equivalent

A plate of omelette, four sausages, hash browns, two biscuits and whipped butter is equivalent in sodium to four 235-gram bags of Ruffles Regular potato chips.

Omelette (ham-cheese) veggies, fruit, English muffin and bacon

900 calories / 61 g fat / 1,800 mg sodium

This choice is filling and more nutritious. Enjoy it on a weekend only.

Exciting greens: Asian Noodle & Veg Salad

1. Peel garlic and peel and grate gingerroot. In a blender, purée garlic, ginger, peanut butter, milk, soy sauce and hot pepper sauce until smooth. With motor running, drizzle vinegar through hole in lid until blended; let stand for 10 minutes.

2. In bowl, cover rice noodles with boiling water; let soak, stirring occasionally for 2 to 3 minutes or until softened, according to package instructions. Drain and rinse under cold water. Return to bowl.

3. the Pour dressing over the noodles and add carrots, red pepper, cucumber and basil; toss gently to coat. Line serving plates with greens and top with noodle salad. Drizzle with the dressing left in bowl and garnish with the peanuts.

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Ingredients

- 1 small clove garlic
- 1 inch (2.5 cm) peeled and grated fresh gingerroot
- 2/3 cup (160 ml) peanut butter
- 1 cup (250 ml) milk
- 3 tbsp (45 ml) soy sauce
- 1/4 tsp (1 ml) hot pepper sauce
- 1/3 cup (80 ml) rice vinegar
- 8 oz (250 g) thin rice noodles
- Boiling water
- 2 carrots, cut into matchsticks
- 1 red bell pepper, halved and cut into thin strips
- 1/2 English cucumber, thinly sliced
- 2 tbsp (30 ml) chopped fresh basil or fresh mint, or both
- Torn salad greens
- Chopped peanuts

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Sisters are doin' it for themselves

Moving on up. It's still a struggle for women to win in the working world, but they're fighting a bold battle

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Maintaining a strong online presence is imperative in any entrepreneurial undertaking. ISTOCK

Female entrepreneurship has always lagged behind men's — for decades, women couldn't even open a bank account without a husband or male relative co-signing — but women are making up for lost time. Between 1997 and 2013 the number of women-owned businesses leapt by 59 per cent. Today, according to American Express Open's annual report on female entrepreneurs, there are 8.6 million women-owned businesses in the U.S. Almost a third of firms are owned by women. And female entrepreneurship is undergoing a demographic shift: back in 1997, 17 per cent of firms were owned by women of colour. Today, that number is 31 per cent.

Julie Weeks of Womenable, a consultancy, says all this reflects women's growing educational accomplishments, experience in the workplace, and confidence. Still, entrepreneurship is far from an easy road.

"Only one in 10 or so adults in the U.S. owns their own business," she says. "It is a daunting thing to do. If you don't work, you don't get a paycheque. You have to have a certain iron gut to take that step and do it."

Although plenty of women have that iron gut, women-owned businesses bring in just four per cent of business revenues. In short, most women-owned firms stay small. Very small. Weeks spends a lot of time talking about how female-owned businesses can grow, employ others and help the economy. But she recognizes that many women want to be "solopreneurs" — to build their work around their schedules and to serve clients on their own terms.

ASHLEY MILNE-TYTE IS A RADIO PRODUCER AND JOURNALIST WHOSE PODCAST – THE BROAD EXPERIENCE – TAKES A LOOK AT WOMEN IN THE WORKPLACE

Minding your own business

When going out on your own for the first time, a few rules apply:

- Be prepared to work hard — probably harder than you ever did in an organization. You are now responsible for landing all your own work. Many entrepreneurs need to be in perennial marketing mode to get that next gig.
- Make sure your online presence is up to scratch — that means having an attractive website that accurately describes what you do, and using social media on a regular basis. Depending on what you do, you may also want to start a blog. Have an opinion. You need to stand out amongst many competitors.
- Stay on top of your finances. You no longer have a regular paycheque, and to bring in money you'll need to spend some money.

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Gershon Koffie, left, Kenny Miller, Nigel Reo-Coker and Russell Teibert celebrate Miller's goal against the San Jose Earthquakes at BC Place Stadium on Saturday. DARRYL DYCK/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Koffie proves his worth at midfield

MLS. Whitecaps shut out San Jose in Western Conference clash at BC Place Stadium

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A new-look midfield for the Vancouver Whitecaps had head coach Martin Rennie singing the praise of two players following Saturday's win over San Jose.

Gershon Koffie, fresh off his one-game suspension for yellow card accumulation, was moved over to holding midfield, while Nigel Reo-Coker was allowed more freedom to jump into the Whitecaps offensive attack.

Both were integral in their respective roles, as the Whitecaps prevailed with a 2-0 victory over the Earthquakes at BC Place Stadium.

The win improved the Whitecaps' record to 10-7-6, moving them into second in the Western Conference standings as of Sunday afternoon.

Reo-Coker was a catalyst in the attacking third, providing two assists.

Koffie was steady in the holding midfield spot, helping to disrupt passing lanes and the Earthquakes' attack, while contributing to the club's ball possession.

Daigo Kobayashi was also inserted into Vancouver's midfield, with Jun Marques Davidson sitting out after serving his one-game suspension last weekend in Portland.

"I think that was one of his best performances for a long time," said Rennie of Koffie's play. "He did so much of the things we'd been asking him to do."

Koffie had to do his homework on the position before being planted there in a game.

He and Rennie watched video and had meetings to help get the Ghanaian midfielder up to speed.

Chris Wondolowski, the MLS leader in goals last year, was kept mostly silent, except for one scoring opportunity early in the second half.

Koffie's play was one of the reasons why.

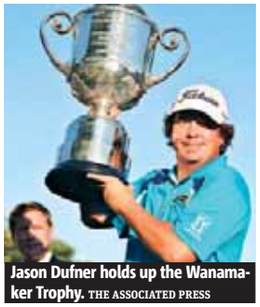
Now, there's a decision to make: Does Rennie keep Koffie at the holding midfield, or does he have him move forward?

"To play in the midfield, you have to know both positions, so it's not difficult for me to stay back or move forward," said Koffie.

Ball possession

"We had the ball a lot more (Saturday) and kept the ball better, and I think he was a part of that."

Coach Martin Rennie, on Gershon Koffie's contribution to Saturday's win.



Jason Dufner holds up the Wanamaker Trophy. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Duf man wins the day, first major

Jason Dufner won his first major title with a two-stroke victory over Jim Furyk at the PGA Championship.

Dufner bogeyed the final two holes Sunday for a 2-under 68 that was good enough to hold off the 2003 U.S. Open champion. The winning score was 10-under 270.

Henrik Stenson finished three shots back.

Dufner made up for the heartache of the 2011 PGA, when he went to the 15th tee with a four-stroke lead in Atlanta. He dunked that shot in the water, squandered the advantage and lost to Keegan Bradley in a playoff.

There was no such collapse on another warm, sunny day at Oak Hill.

Furyk went into the final round with a one-shot lead, and it looked as if this might be his day when he rolled in a 40-footer across the sixth green for a birdie. But Dufner seized control just before the turn.

Phil Mickelson wasn't a factor at Oak Hill, shooting a 72 to finish 12 over. Tiger Woods was an also-ran, as well, wrapping up his fifth straight year without a major. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Men's Rogers Cup

Nadal extends Canadian drought

Milos Raonic called it a learning experience.

It certainly wasn't the victory party the Montreal crowd was hoping for as Rafael Nadal took only one hour eight minutes to down Canada's top tennis player 6-2, 6-2 in the $3.49-million US Rogers Cup final on Sunday.

But it had taken 55 years for a Canadian just to get to the final of the country's biggest tournament, so Raonic had much to celebrate despite the defeat.

For one, by reaching the final he will be ranked 10th in the world when the next rankings appear Monday morning, making him the first Canadian to crack the top 10. He will be the youngest player in the top 10 as well.

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Women's Rogers Cup

Williams coasts to Rogers title

Serena Williams insists it's not as easy as it looks.

The top-seeded American breezed to her third Rogers Cup title with a 6-2, 6-0 victory over unseeded Romanian Sorana Cirstea in Sunday's final, giving Williams her eighth WTA title of the year and 54th of her career.

She didn't drop a set all week at the $2.369-million tournament and lost only 22 games, almost half of which came against third seed Agnieszka Radwanska in a semifinal match that proved to be the only real test for the world No. 1 in Toronto.

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MLB

Bad-news bullpen buries Blue Jays

R.A. Dickey couldn't keep the baseball in the yard again, but ultimately the Toronto Blue Jays were done in by a faltering bullpen.

After a respectable outing from Dickey, an eighth-inning implosion by veteran reliever Darren Oliver was enough to cost the Blue Jays in a 6-4 loss to the Oakland Athletics on Sunday afternoon in Toronto.

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Horoscopes

♈ Aries
March 21 - April 20
It can, of course, be fun taking life a day at a time but the more you look ahead and visualize where you are going the more likely it is your dreams will come true

♉ Taurus
April 21 - May 21
Make an effort to co-operate with people today, even though some of the idiots – sorry, associates – you have to deal with are annoying in the extreme.

♊ Gemini
May 22 - June 21
Keep your senses on full alert today and you could see or hear something that benefits you in surprising ways. It does not matter what the source happens to be, just make sure you are the first to react – and act.

♋ Cancer
June 22 - July 23
Greet the week with a song in your heart and a smile on your face and don't let anyone upset you in any way.

♌ Leo
July 24 - Aug. 23
Don't keep your ideas to yourself – make sure everyone knows what is buzzing around that big brain of yours. Someone in a position of power may like one of your ideas to such an extent that he backs it with money.

♍ Virgo
Aug. 24 - Sept. 23
You will enjoy being put to the test over the next seven days. It gives you the chance to show what you can do – and you can do plenty. If ever there was a time to impress important people, that time is now.

♎ Libra
Sept. 24 - Oct. 23
You may be wondering if you are smart enough to compete with people who are more experienced than you. You won't know until you try but the planets indicate you'll do okay.

♏ Scorpio
Oct. 24 - Nov. 22
Even if you are stuck behind a desk or in some other way forced to stay in one place you can imagine where you would like to be – and will be before long if you have anything to do with it. Never stop dreaming.

♐ Sagittarius
Nov. 23 - Dec. 21
Get-rich-quick schemes are rarely a good idea, so maybe you should think twice, if not three times, before signing up to something you cannot know for sure will be a success.

♑ Capricorn
Dec. 22 - Jan. 20
All may seem well with your world at the moment but don't lose sight of the fact that you have an important issue to take care of before the week ahead is done.

♒ Aquarius
Jan. 21 - Feb. 19
When dealing with people, one-to-one or in groups, focus on what you have in common rather than what divides you.

♓ Pisces
Feb. 20 - March 20
You will find it easy to express your affection for, well, just about everyone today. It's because you can see a bit of good in each and every individual. The world would be a better place if there were more people like you in it.

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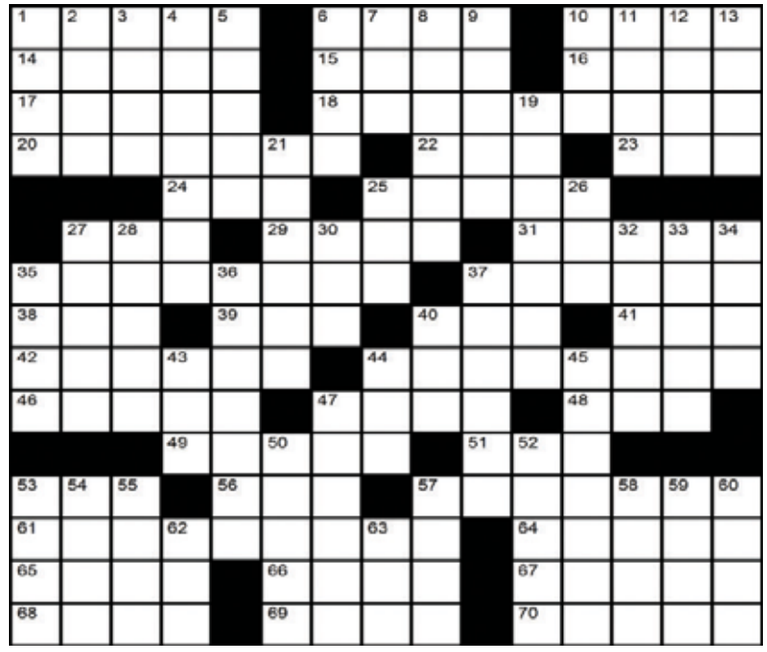
Crossword: Canada Across and Down

See today's answers at metronews.ca/answers.

BY KELLY ANN BUCHANAN



Across

1. __ Bay, NS
6. Butterfingers reaction!
10. Vocalist variety
14. Input user-name/password info: 2 wds.
15. Uncommon
16. Riviere-du-__, QC
17. For everyone to hear
18. Laurentians resort, Mont-__
20. Fridge door decorations
22. The Company org.
23. "__ Boot" (1981)
24. Three, in Italy
25. Finicky
27. Train co.
29. Horse gait
31. Somewhat
35. Car company
37. Glum
38. 1965 hit for The Miracles: "__ Baby Baby"
39. "Ho __" by The Lumineers
40. Banqueted
41. Tony Orlando's tree
42. Actress Laura
44. Common indoor nuisance
46. Apprehension
47. Had in hand
48. Cadillac _ _ _
49. Instrument on The Beatles' "Norwegian Wood"
51. Suffix with 'Capital'
53. Watering hole
56. Small batteries
57. David's formidable opponent
61. Group of Seven painter, _._. __ (b.1882 - d.1974)
64. Accustom or harden
65. Prep the present, with It
66. Betty White's "Hot in Cleveland" role
67. "Me and Bobby __" by Janis Joplin
68. Call from the supermarket counter...
69. Reservations spot
70. Get the tea ready

Down

1. '70s music genre, __ Rock
2. The Kinks hit
3. Excited
4. Canada, for one
5. Bitter-__ (Diehard)
6. Supper scraps
7. Propel the canoe
8. Chopped ahead of time
9. 18-wheelers
10. Totally
11. Bunch of clothes in the washing machine
12. Salmon alternative
13. Selects
19. Channel-Port aux __, Newfoundland
21. Tea bags brand
25. Not against
26. Actor Mr. Brynner
27. Church singing group
28. Likely to
30. Singer, Lana Del __
32. Upward
33. Sigils
34. Like the pen's blue stuff
35. Frigid
36. New Brunswick town, 'The Lobster Capital of the World'
37. Dancer's rehearsal spot
40. ISP, e.g.
43. "If I Ruled the World" rapper
44. Not him
45. Dodo Bird's status
47. Inconvenience
50. Marvin Gaye/Kim Weston duet: "It __ Two"
52. Slenderizes
53. Like the carpenter's wood
54. Funeral rite sight
55. Town that's east of Toronto
57. Pesky bug
58. Eye: German
59. Tire swing supporter
60. Uriah __, Charles Dickens character
62. Appropriate
63. Cheese from Quebec

Friday's Crossword

Sudoku

How to play
Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved.

		5		4			8	
	7	6		8				
3		8			6			
	8	1						7
	9		5		7		4	
4						5	2	
			8			1		2
				3		9	6	
	3			9		7		

Friday's Sudoku

3	9	7	2	8	5	1	6	4
1	8	5	4	9	6	2	7	3
4	2	6	3	1	7	5	9	8
5	4	9	1	3	8	6	2	7
2	6	8	7	5	4	9	3	1
7	1	3	6	2	9	8	4	5
6	3	1	5	4	2	7	8	9
9	5	2	8	7	3	4	1	6
8	7	4	9	6	1	3	5	2

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